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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of **Lorna Strachan, Matthew Sleeman, Nevin Abernethy, Rene Onrust, Krishanand D. Kumble, and James G. Murison**

Group Art Unit: 1646

Application No. : 09/823,038
Filed : March 28, 2001
Title : **COMPOSITIONS ISLOATED FROM STROMAL CELLS AND METHODS FOR THEIR USE**
Examiner : Ruixiang Li

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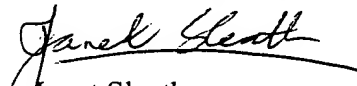
Dear Examiner:

Transmitted herewith for filing are the following:

1. Amendment and Reply (9 pages);
2. Declaration of Dr. Elizabeth Visser with Exhibit A and Exhibit B;
3. Declaration of Dr. J. Greg Murison with Exhibit C and Figures 1-3;
4. a Petition for a One (1) Month Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) in duplicate; and
5. a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the fee for the one-month extension of time.

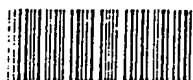
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Respectfully submitted,


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